Dear Neighbor:

As your state Senator, I am proud of the many useful services our state provides to residents. Government is here to serve you, and I have worked hard at the State Capitol to ensure that those services are both efficient and cost-effective.



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I have included a list of phone numbers and Web sites that you may find helpful. If you have difficulty using any of these resources, please feel free to contact my office for further assistance.

Sincerely,

Donald DeFronzo, State Senator

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Helpful Resources for Berlin Citizens

PHONE NUMBERS

State Senator Donald DeFronzo	860-240-0595
Dept. of Motor Vehicles	860-263-5701
Dept. of Social Services	1-800-842-1508
INFOLINE (directory of community se	ervices) 211
Careline (to report child abuse or neglect)	1-800-842-2288
Consumer Protection-Fraud Hotline	1-800-842-2649
Health Care Advocate	1-866-466-4446
Dept. of Revenue Services (state tax information)	860-297-5962
State Insurance Dept. (consumer complaints)	860-297-3900
Dept. of Transportation	860-594-2000
Connecticut "Do Not Call" list	1-888-382-1222
Berlin Town Hall	860-828-7000

<u>WE</u>B SITES

Connecticut Senate Democrats (where you will find my Web page)

www.senatedems.ct.gov

State of Connecticut

www.ct.gov

Connecticut Tourism

www.ctbound.org

Town of Berlin

www.town.berlin.ct.us



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New Buses on the New Britain Line

Here at home, federal stimulus funding is having a direct effect on our local way of life with the introduction of an entirely new fleet of buses for the New Britain line. Our line was home to the oldest fleet of buses in the state. Now, all of New Britain's 20 new EPA-compliant, diesel-powered buses are in service—providing a clean and affordable transportation option to the people of our city and the Central Connecticut Region . Additionally, the new buses are all low-floor models, equipped with wheelchair-accessible ramps, and are all fitted with bicycle racks. The new buses will have a positive impact on New Britain, Berlin and Farmington.

Cracking Down on Distracted Driving

A new law has the potential to make your commute a lot safer. Police will be cracking down on distracted driving under changes to the state's cell phone law that take effect on October 1. The law. which does not impact drivers who go hands-free, will send 25 percent of all fees collected for citations on cell phone users and texters back to the municipality that issues the ticket, giving local police a greater incentive to crack down on this dangerous behavior.